

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1865 without my signature.

While the employment of parolees is an integral part of their re-integration into the community, we must ensure that their employment does not create a risk to public safety.

After discovering critical flaws in the operation of their job placement services contractor, the Department of Corrections completely overhauled this system to ensure that employers are made aware of the criminal history of any parolee referred to that company for employment.

While this bill is based on this principle, it contains highly bureaucratic processes that do not contribute to either public safety or parolee placement into employment.

For this reason I am unable to support this measure.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger